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Previous references.

S.R. 112-10811-5B.3.11

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Serial Nos. 1-7

Part B. for March 1914.

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SUBJECT.

Duty on ganja.

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From The F. A. Resident & Secy to the Chief Commr of Coorg  
no. 275 D 27-1-14.

Intimates that the duty on ganja will be  
raised in the Madras Presidency & requests  
whether the Durbar are prepared sanction a  
like increment in the Mysore state.

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To The F. A. Resident. no 621 D 16.2.14

states that the present local circumstances  
do not call for any change

3. To the J. A. Resident in Mysore.

no Pol 669 of 3.3.14.

states that the Durbar will be prepared to enhance the duty throughout the state to Rs 1 per seer of 80 tolas, should a similar increase be adopted in the C & M st<sup>n</sup> of Bangalore.

4 From the J. A. Resident

no 1585 of 5.3.14

Forwards for information a copy of the Notif<sup>n</sup> enhancing the duty issued by the Resident.

5. To the Excise Com<sup>r</sup>  
Comptroller

By Com<sup>r</sup> of Dto.

no 4119-28 of 14.3.14

Directs that the duty be raised as aforesaid and requests the Excise Com<sup>r</sup> to make the necessary alterations in the draft notification.

6. To the Compiler Mysore Gazette.

no 4129 of 14.3.14

Notifies the raising of the duty.

To the Excise Com<sup>r</sup>.

no 4130 of 14.3.14

Forwards copy for information.

To the Excise Com<sup>r</sup>. no 4131 of 14-3-14

Forwards 6 copies of the Resident's notif<sup>n</sup>

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## GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

( 80R )

## NOTES.

File No. 12273

## FILE HEADING.

Duty on gunja.

From

The Resident.  
The First Assistant Secy to the Chief Commr of Coorg.

No. 275

Dated 27<sup>th</sup> January 1914 Received 27/1/14.

Diary No. 2901

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## BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Intimates that the duty on gunja <sup>in the Madras Presidency</sup> will be raised from Rs 7-8-0 to Rs 10/- with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1914, states that the question of similarly raising the duty in the C & M Station of Bangalore & in Coorg <sup>is under consideration</sup> (and requests to be informed) whether the Durbar are prepared to sanction a like enhancement of duty in Bangalore city & the <sup>in the State</sup> parts of the State.

## NOTES AND ORDERS.

1. The duty on gunja <sup>from July</sup> was raised ~~in~~ 1911 from Rs 5 to Rs 7/8/- a seer of 80 tolas. In order to ~~prevent~~ prevent smuggling it may be necessary to raise the rate prevailing in the State from the next April year.

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2. May the Exchequer Council be consulted unofficially to avoid delay, as the Residency expect an early reply? Subfor orders.

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31-1-1914  
with collection  
of other matters

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up  
7/11

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3 Forwarded to the Exchequer Commissioner in Mysore unofficially for favour of opinion in the matter.

31-1-14

By order  
S. Nagaraj  
for Secy to Govt.

4 I appended a note which explains the case.

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well

NOTE.

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5 The duty on Ganja was raised from R. 5/- to R. 7/8/0 in July 1911 to keep in conformity with the duty in Madras; Ganja was then being imported from one of the British Stores and distributed for consumption to the shops in the State.

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2. But when an attempt was made to grow Ganja locally, the hold which the British stuff had upon the taste of the local consumer, gave rise to large and systematical smuggling of the same and the partial keeping-out from the market of the locally grown Ganja. The Department has been trying to improve the quality of the latter and thus establish the sales of the same in the local shops.

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3. A rise in duty will necessarily mean an increase of the retail price and a decided step against the above mentioned object of substituting the demand for the imported Ganja by that of the locally grown one. The indirect benefit derived by this is, that the price paid to the cultivators for the stuff will go to our ryots instead of to British growers. It is not, therefore expedient to raise at this stage the duty on Ganja as proposed.

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4. The higher rate of duty in Madras may help in checking the smuggling of foreign stuff into Mysore.

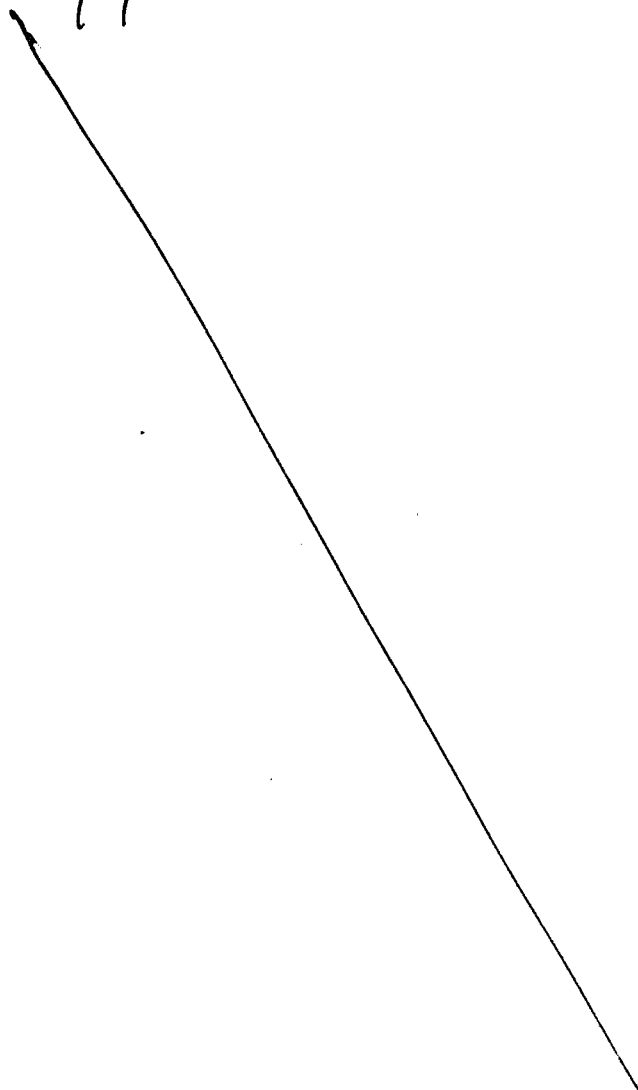
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5. This may be considered some

hence when the locally grown  
one is equal in quality to  
the British one and the con-  
sumers take to it.

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10 The Excise Comm<sup>tee</sup> is of opinion that the existing rate of duty need not be raised till the quality of the locally grown stuff is improved to equal in quality the British gauge. But if the rate is raised in the Madras Presidency, and as the raising of the rate similarly in the C.M. Station of Bangalore & Coorg is now under consideration, it is a point for consideration <sup>whether</sup> if the duty is not raised in Mysore also it may not be inconvenient in some ways.

11 In the case of arrack, gauge, & opium the interests of both Madras & Mysore Gts are always taken into account. Of late the change adopted in the one is adopted in the other, even in retail prices and minor matters also. In the case of gauge also it was so in G.H. At present the question of raising the Still head duty on arrack is under consideration in another connection, because in the interests of both Gts it is <sup>considered</sup> necessary, especially as the rate is already raised in the border districts of the Madras ~~Pres~~ Presidency.

12 The rate at which gauge was

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Para 58 do.

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sold last year to the public in the State is stated to have ranged from Rs 3 to Rs 6, though the minimum is only Rs 2 per tola. The price charged to licensees' Govt was Rs 14-0 a deer, and including duty the cost price to licensees ~~is Rs 14-0 a deer~~ comes to annas 2 and pice 9 per tola. If the rate of duty is raised from Rs 7-8-0 to Rs 10/- the cost price works out to annas 2 and pice 3. So long as the minimum price of ~~the~~ annas 2 is enforced, there cannot be much difference from the consumers' point of view. The margin of profit to licensees may become a slightly reduced.

13 As regards smuggling, so long as the Mysore stuff is inferior in quality, there can be no fear, except when on account of the cheap variety some quantity may go to the Madras side. On the other hand even if the higher rate of duty is in force in Madras, the ~~price~~ difference in the selling price not being much, it is quite possible that people in Mysore may smuggle

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the Madras stuff owing to its superior  
quality. The consumers in Mysore  
~~would~~ <sup>will</sup> not grudge to pay more and get  
ganga of a better quality. In this  
~~connection~~ connection it may be mentioned  
that it is somewhat significant that  
last year when the stock of British  
ganga on hand was 15748 seers, the  
quantity consumed in the state  
was only 9076.

para 5 of the Annual Report  
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In spite of the decrease of  
consumption shop rentals have gone  
up. The minimum selling price  
is also kept at ~~Rs~~ <sup>annas</sup> 2 per tola.  
Subd for orders.

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15 The enhancement of the duty  
does not appear to be called for, except  
to prevent <sup>to</sup> ~~temptation~~ <sup>temptation</sup> to smuggle  
our ganga  
into Madras, owing to the disparity of  
the rates of duties ~~in~~ <sup>in</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~state~~ <sup>state</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~other~~ <sup>other</sup> ~~states~~ <sup>states</sup>  
16 Submitted for orders.

J. Lee 7/17 A suitable draft may be prepared

Bm  
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Draft subd

Please put up fair draft

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No.*20**Fdg draft subd**B-73**for Consideration**11/2/14**Dr Secy)**Am**11/2**21 Fdg draft as revised may be brought up to me this afternoon  
before 2 PM**Date**14/2**Am**14/2**M.J.**22 The draft may be approved.**2nd member)**Dr Secy Secy**14/2**23 Affirmed**well**14/2**2/14**new paper**Recd  
5-15 PM**24. It may be**Am**14/2**2 To No 7. A Resident in Mysore  
No 621 dated 16-2-14**States that the present  
circumstances do not call for any  
in the matter*

M E M O R A N D U M

27 Ganja required for consumption in Coorg and the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore is obtained from Madras duty free. The supply is, however, subject to the condition that duty is assimilated to that in force in Madras. In order to prevent smuggling of the drug, it has been considered -- desirable that this duty should be identical with that levied in the Mysore State, and the present duty is Rs. 7-8-0 per seer of 80 tolas. The Durbar, in order No. Fl.4311-20-S.P. 112-10-14, dated the 22nd February 1911, accepted this rate on the recommendation of the Excise Commissioner that the retail price of ganja and the duty thereon should be assimilated to the rates prevailing in the Madras Presidency.

28 2. The Madras Government have now decided to raise the duty from Rs. 7-8-0 to Rs. 10/- with effect from the 1st April 1914, and, under the agreement with that Government, the duty in the Civil and Military Station will have to be enhanced from the beginning of the next official year. The Durbar are, however, of the opinion that "the present local circumstances do not call for any change".

29 The question so far as the Civil and Military Station is concerned, has to be settled at a very early date as the sale of the Civil and Military Station ganja shops for the year 1914-15 has been fixed for the 9th March 1914. It may be added that the Coorg administration is also interested in the matter.

*ms*

R.D. 22.2.14

D. O. No. 71179

BANGALORE.

21st Februry 1914.

My dear Dewan Sahib,

30 I wrote to you on the 18th instant about the duty on ganja. Today I have received a letter from the Govt of India, recommending that we should follow the Madras lead (a) as regards ganja & charas in Coorg, & (b) as regards ganja in the Civil & Military Station. The Govt of India have forwarded a copy of a letter from the Govt of Madras, in which they state that the effect of raising the duty on bhang from Rs 1 per seer to Rs 2 in 1910/11 & to Rs 3 in 1911/12 has been to reduce the consumption from 3538 seers in 1909/10 to 1835 seers in 1910/12 & to 1536 seers in 1912/13. The Madras Govt do not consider it necessary further to raise the duty on bhang, which is a comparatively harmless intoxicant; but have decided to raise the duty on ganja & charas to Rs <sup>10</sup>15 & Rs 16 per seer, respectively, from 1st April next. The Govt of India have asked me to invite the Darbar to consider the desirability of taking similar steps in regard to their territory.

Yours very sincerely



M. Visvesvaraya Esqr, C.I.E.,

Dewan of Mysore.

Received  
23-2-14

D. O. No. 7/1180

BANGALORE.

22nd Febrary 1914.

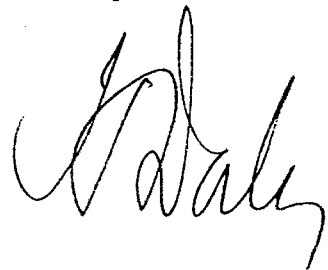
Mr. Dr. Duran Sahib,

31 I am sorry there was an error in my d/o letter of yesterday about ganja, &c. I said that the Madras Govt were raising the duty on ganja to Rs 15 per seer, whereas the figure to which the duty is to be raised is Rs ten, as stated in my previous d/o letter of the 18th.

32 I understand there is no import of charas into the Civil & Military Station & no duty on it has been prescribed.

Yours very sincerely

M. Visvesvaraya Esqr, C.I.E.,  
Dewan of Mysore.



Report

33

D.O. Letter No. 1237 dated the 18th February 1914 and D.O. Letters dated the 21st and 22nd idem from the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, about the raising of the duty on Ganja to Rs. 10 per seer as in Madras.

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I shall be glad if the Secretary will kindly put up draft of a reply under instructions from the Second Member of Council, so as to reach me not later than the 28th instant.

13.2.14.

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Dep<sup>y</sup> Secy

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Immediate

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It was up & submitted at once 24/2

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Solved for orders.

37 Kind attention is invited to paras 24/2/14 569, 11, & 15. It has been the policy to regulate our rates to the Madras & Coorg rates as far as possible. But the Excise Commr report that it is not to our interest to increase the rates in the present case.

New 34-50/100.

Dr Secy

Am  
24/2

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In view of the definite opinion of the Govt of India and of the difficulties pointed out by the Honble the Resident, we may agree to the proposal if deemed fit.

Second member

A draft will be prepared after orders are given.

Dy. Secy  
28/2Am  
26/2

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I understand this. We cannot help meaning suit. Please put up a draft accordingly.

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27/2

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Two drafts - one to the Residency and the other a G.O. - are subd.

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Dr Secy

Am

27/2

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There is no hurry for a G.O. The draft refers to the Resy. has much to be desired. A new draft as revised may be put up. The case writer should bring up the case if there be any further doubt in the matter.

Dy. Secy  
28/2 Am  
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Fidy draft subd. with reference to para 40

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(Stand member)

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Confirmed  
yes

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with reference to para 34.

During day

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2.3.14

Dewan)

45 Draft approved by Dewan.  
He desires that it may issue today.

By order

Shri Ram Singh

3/3/14.

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Dewan

Immediate

Dewan

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3.

To the J.A. Resident in Mysore.

No: Pd 669. of the 2/3/14.

States that the Dmbar will be prepared  
to enhance the duty throughout the  
State to Rs 10/- per deer of 80 tolas, should  
from 1st May 1914

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a similar increase be adopted in the C.M.  
station of Bangalore.

4. From the 7A. Resident.

No: 1585 & 5/3/14.

Forwards for information a copy of  
notfy enhancing the duty on gajals  
Rs. 10/- a deer, issued by the Honble the Comm.  
in Mysore.

47. As the duty on gajals has been  
raised to Rs. 10/- a deer of 80 tolas in the C.M.  
station of Bangalore, three drafts  
are subd. for orders.

Dr. 73 SW

9/3/14

Dr. Secy

Am  
9/3

48. The draft G.O. & Notification may be approved.

Secy  
member

Dis. Secy  
10/3

49. Draft G.O. & Notification approved  
by the 2<sup>nd</sup> member.

Dr.

11/3/14

50. Dr. Secy  
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To the Commr. Mysore Gazette

No. 74129 & 14-3-14

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Notifies the raising of the  
Duty on Ganja from Rs 7/80 to Rs 10/- per  
seer of 80 tolas with effect from 1-7-14

To the Excise Com<sup>r</sup>

no. 724130 D/14/3/14

Forwards Copy for information

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To the Excise Com<sup>r</sup>

" Comptroller

Dy Com<sup>r</sup> of B<sup>s</sup>

no. 724119-28 D/14/3/14.

Directs that the Duty be raised as  
aforesaid & request the Excise Com<sup>r</sup> to make  
the necessary alterations in the draft of the  
notification for the sale of Excise Privileges for 1914-15

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To the Excise Com<sup>r</sup>

no. 724131 D/14-3-14.

Forwards 6 copies of the President's  
notification no. 13 D/14-3-14 on the subject

FROM

P. B. Warburton, Esq., I. C. S.,  
First Assistant Resident and  
SECRETARY TO THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF COORG.

TO

The Dewan of Mysore.

DIARY No. 2901

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| 10/3-10/4       |
| SECTION 52      |
| FILE NO. 122-13 |
| SERIAL NO. 1    |

Dated, Bangalore, 27<sup>th</sup> January 1914.

SIR,

With reference to the correspondence ending with the Residency endorsement No. 1218, dated the 24th February 1911 I am directed to forward herewith, for the information of the Durbar, a copy of a letter from the Government of Madras in the Revenue Department, No. 229, dated the 22nd January 1914 intimating that the duty on ganja will be raised in the -- Madras Presidency from Rs. 7-8-0 to Rs. 10-0-0, with effect from the 1st April 1914.

2. The question of similarly enhancing the duty on ganja in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore and in Coorg from 1st April next is now under consideration, and the -- Resident and Chief Commissioner will be glad to be informed at an early date whether the Durbar are prepared to sanction a like enhancement of duty in the Bangalore City and in other parts of the Mysore State.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,

P. B. Warburton

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Government of Madras.

Revenue Secretariat.

No. 229.

From

F. B. E v a n s, Esq., I. C. S.,  
Deputy Secretary to the Government of Madras.

To

The Hon'ble the Chief Commissioner of Coorg.

Dated, Fort St. George the 22nd January 1914

Sir,

In continuation of the Hon'ble Mr. Wynch's letter No. 4050, dated 19th December 1910, I am directed to state that the duty on ganja and charas will be raised in this Presidency to Rs. 10/- and Rs. 16/- per seer with effect from 1st April 1914, the existing rate of duty on bhang remaining unchanged.

I have etc.,

Sd/- F. B. E v a n s,

Deputy Secy. to the Govt. of Madras.

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" C o p y "

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Manager, Coorg Secretariat.

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Copy Draft.

G. R. S. 26]

Informing the Presidency that the present circumstances do not call for any change.

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Serial No. 2

Diary No. of letter replied to 2907

Pol No. 621.

General and Revenue Secretariat

( S. R. )

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To

The F.A. Resident in Mysore.

Date of issue

16.2.14.

Sir,

Signed by

Mr K. R. Srinivasalingam

for and to be signed.

Adverting to your letter no 275 of the 27<sup>th</sup> January 1914, requesting to be informed whether the Durbar are prepared to sanction the enhancement of the duty on gaur in the State from Rs 7-8-0 to Rs 10/- as is proposed to be done in the Madras Presidency, I am directed to state that the Durbar consider that the present local circumstances do not call for any change.

I have etc

Am 14/2 for Secy to Govt.

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SUBJECT.

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*List of enclosures.*

*W. L. By*

*Copied by*

*Examined by*

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Diary No. of letter replied to 2901

General and Revenue Secretariat

( S.R. )  
, the 191 . }Date of issue 3 . 3 . 14.Signed by Mr K.R. Srinivasalingam

51 no 2 in the file.

Informs the Presidency that the Durbar  
are prepared to raise the duty.

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P<sup>No.</sup> 669.

To

The AA Resident in Mysore.Sir,

In modification of my  
letter no Pol 621 of the 16<sup>th</sup> Feb  
1914 regarding the duty on goods,  
I am directed to state that  
the Durbar will be prepared  
to enhance the duty through-  
out the State to Rs 10/- per ton  
of 80 tolas, should a similar  
increase be adopted in the  
C & M Station of Bangalore.

over.

SUBJECT.

This increase, however, can  
be given effect to only from the beginning of the next official  
year, <sup>namely 1st July 1914.</sup>  
~~(the end of this official year)~~  
as the sales of excise privileges  
already in force will have  
effect until then.

I have etc

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28/2

For Secy to Govt. <sup>done</sup> 28/2 <sup>do</sup> 3. 3. '14

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THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

## Notification.

*No. 13, dated Bangalore, the 4th March 1914.*

Under section 13 of the Excise Act, 1896 (as applied to the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore), the Resident in Mysore, with the previous sanction of the Governor General in Council, is pleased, in supersession of Notification No. 7, dated the 24th February 1911, to impose a duty of Rs. 10 per seer on ganja or any preparation or admixture thereof, imported into the said Station on or after the 1st April 1914.

“By order”

P. B. WARBURTON,  
*First Assistant Resident.*

*Dec No 14942 5-3-1914.*

R. P. B.—3-1914.—70.

*11/12/14*  
*9/3/14* No. 15852-68/5-3-14.

\*with 6  
spare  
copies

A copy of the foregoing notification is forwarded herewith to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore for information with reference to Mr. Srinivasiengar's letter No. 669 Pol., dated the 3rd March 1914.

*MB Warburton*

First Assistant Resident.

*MB*

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order the raising of duty

G.R.S. 28]

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Serial No. 5

Diary No. of letter replied to 3497

GENERAL AND REVENUE  
SECRETARIAT.  
( 807 )

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness  
the Maharaja of Mysore

READ

the

191

Date of issue

Signed by

ORDER THEREON.—No. 26 4119-28  
14-3-14

Govt are pleased to direct  
that the duty on gajra be raised to Rs 100  
per seer of 80 tolas with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 1914  
2. The Excise Committee is

over.

SUBJECT.

requested to make the necessary alteration  
in the draft of the notice for the  
sales of excise privileges for 1914-15.

Will  
11/15

Don 10/3  
Don  
9/3 to be to Govt.

"Print"  
Don

To  
The Excise Council in Mysore.  
The Comptroller to Govt. &  
The Dy. Commr. of D.D.

Ms. 73  
9/3/14. SW

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Notifies the same for duty

G. R. S. 26]

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Diary No. of letter replied to 3497

Notification No. 129  
No. 714-3-14

General and Revenue Secretariat

( *[Signature]* )  
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In exercise of the powers conferred  
by the Mysore Excise Ref. V of 1901,  
the Govt of H.H. the Maharaja of  
Mysore are pleased to raise the  
duty on gajja from Rs 7-8-0 to Rs 10-0-0  
per seer of 80 tolas with effect  
from the 1st July 1914.

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Date of issue 14-3-14

Signed by *[Signature]*

*[Handwritten notes and stamps]*  
with 1130  
26-3-14

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714-3-14

*[Signature]* 1913  
9/3 For Secy Govt.

The Compiler, Mysore Gazette, for  
publication in 3 successive issues  
of the Gazette in Part III thereof.  
Copy to the Excise Commr for information  
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*[Handwritten notes]*  
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*[Signature]* 9/3 For Secy Govt.

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Forwarded spare copies of the Residents' order

No. 224131

81.7

GOVERNMENT OF H. H. THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Revenue and General Secretariat.

(L. A. )

dated the 14 March 1901.

Forwarded to the Exchequer Committee in Mysore for information.

By Order,

Dmy 10/3  
For Secy to Govt.  
SP

List of Papers Forwarded:

Six Copies of the order no. 13 of the 4<sup>th</sup> March 1901 issued by the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore in the matter of raising the duty on sugar to Rs 10/- a ser of 80 tolas.